

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for October 27:

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- Monte Cristo Snowmobile Parking Passes Available

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MONTE CRISTO SNOWMOBILE PARKING PASSES AVAILABLE

Willard - Season parking passes for the Monte Cristo Snowmobile Trailhead are available November 10 for \$50.

To purchase by mail, please send a cashier's check or money order to Willard Bay State Park at 900 West 650 North, Willard, UT 84340. To purchase by phone with a credit card, please call (435) 734-9494. Passes may also be purchased at Willard Bay State Park and at the trailhead when grooming begins.

Funds derived from pass sales are used for maintenance of facilities and the trailhead parking lot.

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UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

November 7 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse
Creatures of the Night: Meet at the visitor center at 6 p.m. for a night of mystery as we learn about the island's animals who come out after the sun goes down. Enjoy an indoor presentation then venture outside to catch a glimpse of the island's nocturnal predators. (801) 773-2941

November 7 Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum - Blanding
Sneak a Peek: Discover how artifacts are cared for and curated, and view perishable and environmentally-sensitive artifacts up close. Enjoy tours from 2 to 4 p.m. Free with paid admission, with a special rate for San Juan County residents. (435) 678-2238

November 10 Frontier Homestead State Park Museum – Cedar City
Children's Story Time: Pre-school children are invited to learn about the past through stories and history-related activities from 12:30 to 1 p.m. (435) 586-9290

November 12 Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum - Blanding
Perishable Artifacts of Chaco and Aztec: Dr. Laurie Webster shares her research examining sandals, basketry samples, cordage, textiles, and other perishable

artifacts from the Four Corners area. A slide presentation focuses on her analysis of materials discovered at both Chaco Canyon and Aztec Pueblo. Program begins at 6:30 p.m. and is free to the public. (435) 678-2238

November 13 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante
Star Gazing: Celebrate the International Year of Astronomy with an evening of star gazing. Join the park naturalist on a tour through the galaxy as we search for planets, constellations and other celestial wonders. Meet at the visitor center at 7 p.m. Dress warmly and bring folding chairs or blankets. Hot drinks will be served. (435) 826-4466

November 13 Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins
Simple Campfire Desserts: Gather around a toasty fire at 7 p.m. to bake and sample simple campfire desserts. Leave with recipes for your next camping trip. Space is limited and registration is required. (435) 628-2255

November 13 Utah Field House of Natural History State Park Museum - Vernal
Movie Night at the Museum: Watch *Night at the Museum: Battle for the Smithsonian* at either 5:45 p.m. or 8 p.m. This event is free, but tickets are required and can be picked up in advance at the Uintah Community Center in Vernal. (435) 789-3799

November 14 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse
Hands-on Bison: Join the park naturalist from 1 to 3 p.m. for an afternoon of hands-on bison activities. Compare a bison and cow skull, explore horns and fur, and learn why this animal is so unique. (801) 773-2941

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